

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates. The cable ownership

cap is a crucial element of our democratic media, and it should not be weakened.

Speaking as a former media professional and a current public health professional, I can assure you that a diverse media environment is essential if the public is to be well-informed about public health, environmental, and other issues of broad concern. The FCC should be working to arrest the trend toward further media concentration rather than fueling this trend.